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UNCLAS. FEBRUARY 9 (PASS TO VOA) IN COMMENTINGON THE ANNOUNCED NINE-DAY TRIP SECRETARY OF STATE WILL MAKE TO LATIN AMERICA, LA PRENSA GRAFICA SAID TODAY MR. KISSINGER WILL ATTEMPT TO INJECT NEW LIFE INTO U.S.-LATIN AMERICAN RELATIONS WHICH LATELY HAVE TAKEN A DOWNTURN. "MR. KISSINGER", SAID THE DAILY, "WILL SEEK WAYS TO ALLEVIATE SOMEWHAT THE DELICATE SITUATION ON THE US-LATIN AMERICAN RELATIONSHIP" ESPECIALLY AT THE PRESENT TIME WHEN LATINS SHOW INCREASED DISSAPOINTMENT AT THE U.S. LACK OF ATTENTION TOWARD THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE NATIONS. ALSO, THE PAPER SOUNDED A NOTE OF CAUTIOUS OPTIOISM ON MR. KISSINGER'S MEETING WITH THE CENTRAL AMERICAN HEADS OF STATE IN COSTA RICA SAYING THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR THE CENTRAL AMERICAN PRESIDENTS TO EXPLAIN TO MR. KISSINGER THE LACK OF CONCRETE SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS HAMPERING REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT. SAID LA PRESNA GRAFICA IN A LEAD EDITORIAL:

"...ESA GIRA DEL FUNCIONARIO NORTEAMERICANO (MR. KISSINGER)
POR LA REGION LATINOAMERICANA HABIA VENIDO INSINUANDOSE, ANUNCIANDOSE DESDE HACE YA LAGUN TIEMPO, AUNQUE SIN MENICONAR FECHA
ALGUNA. SE LA CONSIDERA DE MUCHA IMPORTANCIA AHORA QUE PUEDE
OBSERVARSE ALGUN DETERIORO EN LAS RELACIONES INTERAMERICANAS.
KISSINGER BUSCARA LA MANERA DE PALIAR UN TANTO LA DELICADA
SITUATION ESTADOS UNIDOS-LATINOAMERICA.

"UN ASPECTO DEL VIAJE QUE TIENE PARTICULAR INTERES PARA CENTROMERICA ES SU ENTREVISTA CON LOS CINCO MANDATARIOS CENTROAMERICANOS.
SE DICE QUE EN PLATICA CON LOS JEFESE DE ESTADOS DE ESTA
REGION SE TRATARA EL TEMA DEL MERCADO COMUN, HOY POR HOY
DESARTICULADO, AUNQUE HAY EN PROCESO ACTIVIDADES PARA SU PERFECCIONAMIENTO Y REESTRUCTURACION. HABLANDO CON TODA FRANQUEZA
ES DIFICIL IMAGINAR QUE COSA PUEDEN DECIRLE LOS MANDATARIOS
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REGIONALES PARA JUSTIFICAR LA FALTA DE SOLUCIONES CONCRETAS

SOBRE UN PROBLEMA DE TANTA IMPORTANCIA PARA EL DESARROLLY
CENTROAMERICANO. DE TODAS MANERAS, SERA UNA ENTREVISTA
INTERESANTE."
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